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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ON SUCCESSFUL VIKING
LANDING FROM PRESIDENT TOLBERT WHICH FONMIN DENNIS REQUESTS BE
TRANSMITTED TO PRESIDENT FORD:

QTE: HIS EXCELLENCY GERALD R. FORD
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

MR. PRESIDENT:

ON THIS OCCASION OF THE SUCCESSFUL LANDING OF THE UNMANNED
VIKING SPACECRAFT ON PLANET MARS I EXTEND TO YOU, THE
GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRIOUS PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF LIBERIA
AND MYSELF HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS FOR THIS TECHNOLOGICAL
FEAT IN MANS UNRELENTING DETERMINATION TO EXPLORE THE
UNIVERSE. IT IS THEREFORE MOST BEFITTING THAT YOU HAVE
DECLARED THE DAY SPACE EXPLORATION DAY. FOR IT WAS ON THIS
DATE SEVEN YEARS AGO THAT YOUR BRAVE, VALIANT AND
COURAGEOUS CITIZENS FIRST LANDED ON THE MOON. IT IS
OUR FERVENT HOPE THAT THE KNOWLEDGE WHICH WILL BE
GAINED FROM THESE EXPLORATIONS OF OUTER SPACE WILL
AID MANKIND EVERYWHERE IN THE CONTINUING SEARCH FOR
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GLOBAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND DEEPER UNDERSTANDING

TO MAKE OUR ONE WORLD A PLACE WHERE ALL MEN CAN LIVE
IN HARMONY, CONCORD AND HUMAN DIGNITY. HIGHEST
CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM. SINCERELY, W.R. TOLBERT, JR.

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